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DOCKET NO. 2006-255-C – Verizon South, Inc. Requests Certification of the Use of Universal Service Funds Pursuant to 47 C.F.R 54.314, and the Telecommunications Act -Section 254(e) – Study Area 240526

Dear Mr. Terreni:

The Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) has examined the filing of Verizon South Inc. dba Verizon South Carolina (Verizon) wherein the Company requested the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (Commission) to submit a letter to the Federal Communications Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company certifying that the company is compliant with Section 254 (e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act, as amended.

In support of the request, an affidavit was submitted, wherein Stan Bugner, State Director – Regulatory & Government Affairs, Verizon South, Inc. certified that Verizon would use the federal universal service high-cost support received during 2007 for South Carolina only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

ORS recognizes that this self-certification process has been sufficient in prior years and does not oppose Verizon's request.

Sincerely,


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